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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR'S MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR MANZINI, MFA
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1. I LUNCHEDED WITH MANZINI AUGUST 13. HE SAID HE HAD BEEN IN USSR FOR SHORT TRIP. ALTHOUGH SOME PEOPLE IN LOWER LEVELS OF SOVIET MFA PULLING FOR PCI TO BECOME MAJORITY PARTY, SOME AT HIGH LEVELS OPPOSED TO THIS. MANZINI BELIEVES THERE IS SOME MOVEMENT WITHIN CPSU STIRRING THE POT.

2. I UNDERLINED OUR DISAPPOINTMENT OVER FAILURE GOI RESPOND TO SCURRILOUS IMPLICATIONS OF ITALIAN LEFTIST PRESS THAT US IN SOME WAY RESPONSIBLE FOR ICMESA DISASTER. I ALSO REITERATED OUR UNHAPPINESS OVER INVITATION TO HANOI DOCTOR TO COME TO HELP IN THE CRISIS. MANZINI SAID HE HAD INSTRUCTED ITALIAN CHARGE' IN HANOI NOT TO RENEW INITIAL INVITATION WHICH VIETNAMESE HAD NOT ACCEPTED.

3. I EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR ITALIAN SUPPORT ON RESOLUTION
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ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS PASSED AT RECENT ECOSOC MEETING.

4. I ALSO RAISED PROBLEM OF OBTAINING GENERAL CLEARANCE FOR NIMITZ AND OTHER NUCLEAR CARRIERS TO VISIT ITALIAN PORTS. MANZINI SAID HE EXPECTING REPORT FROM HIS STAFF ON SUBJECT AND WOULD DO WHAT HE COULD TO BE HELPFUL.

5. MANZINI SAID HE EXPECTED FONMIN FORLANI TO ATTEND UNGA IN SEPTEMBER AND HOPED HE COULD MEET WITH SECRETARY. VOLPE

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